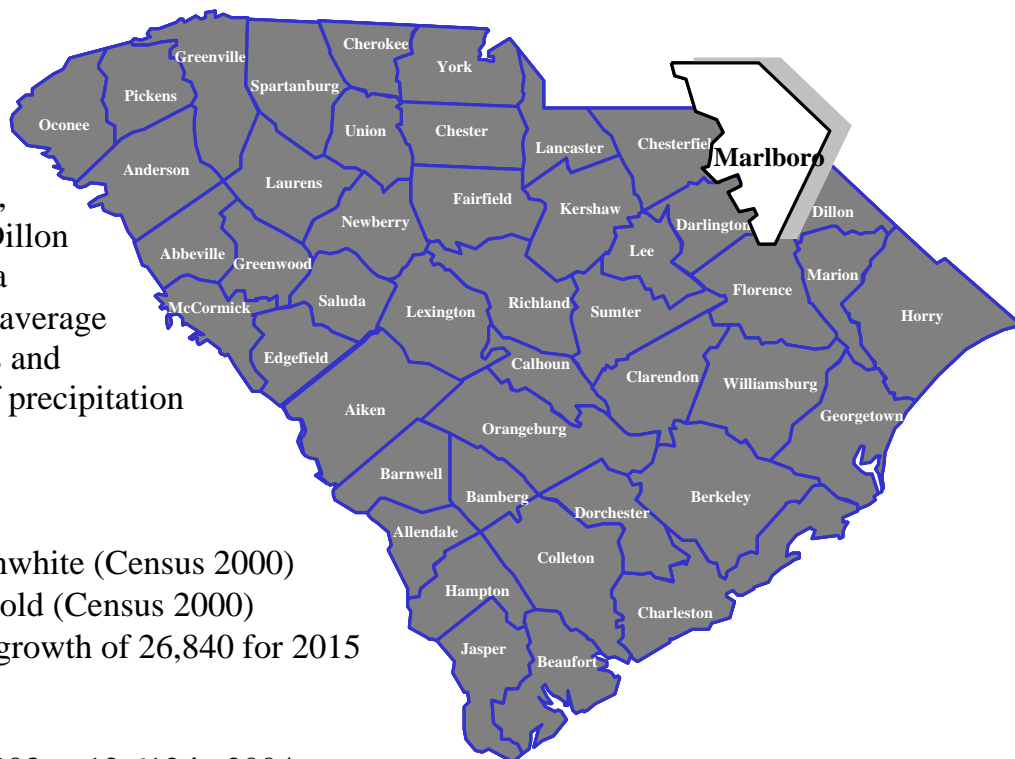


Spotlight on Marlboro County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the northeast area of the state
- Surrounded by Chesterfield, Darlington, Florence, and Dillon counties and North Carolina
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 62.7 degrees and experiences 41.90 inches of precipitation



Population

- 28,147 in 2004
- 44.5% white and 55.5% nonwhite (Census 2000)
- Median age was 35.1 years old (Census 2000)
- Has exceeded its projected growth of 26,840 for 2015

Labor Force

- Increased from 12,333 in 2003 to 12,612 in 2004
- Unemployment is unchanged from 13.1% in 2003 to 13.1% in 2004

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the county was 10,957 in 2004, compared to 10,044 in 2003

Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the county was \$18,676 in 2003
- It was 71% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Bennettsville Workforce Center, serving Chesterfield and Marlboro counties, paid \$6,625,497 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2004.

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